GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2143
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SSS PENSION TO GOA SATYAGRAHIS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the demand for the grant of `Swatantra Sainik Samman Pension by Goa Satyagrahis; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The freedom fighters of Goa Liberation Movement who fulfilled the eligibility criteria as laid down under the Swantantrata Sainik Samman (SSS) Pension Scheme 1980, have already been sanctioned pension under the Scheme. As regards the freedom fighters of Goa Liberation Movement Phase II, (1954-55), who had not undergone 6 months imprisonment and were not eligible under the Scheme, a decision was taken on 4th February 2003 to grant them SSS Pension if they are recipients of State Pension for the same Movement from the State Governments of Goa, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh as on 1st August 2002.